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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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Special Branch 2-Sis. Station, No.

REPORT

Date August 25, 1940.

Subject Communication dated July 31, 1940 from H. B. M. Consulate-General.

Made by D.S.I. Pitts. Forwarded by D.S.I. Logan

In regard to the contents of the attached communication which states that the 22 individuals named therein are believed to be refugees from Europe, enquiries reveal that such is not the case, the majority of these persons having been domiciled in Shanghai or China for many years. Many of the persons named are German Aryans and to secure their passport details is now a matter of impossibility. The following information, however, is submitted with regard to the individuals mentioned:-

(1) T.O. SCHMID, Swiss citizen, manager of Anderson, Clayton & Co., 34 Avenue Edward VII. Very respectable person and very wealthy. Resides at 251 Columbia Circle with his wife. Mixes freely in local American circles.

(2) A. DIERKING, stateless, formerly a German. Renounced his German nationality many years ago and for some time served in the British Navy. Is the father-in-law of Mr. H. L. GIBSON, British, of 30/865 Yu Yuen Road. DIERKING is pro-British in his outlook.

(3) Johann Willy SCHULTZ, no details available.

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(4) Julius KLEFFEL, German, born in Shanghai on November 11, 1893. Educated in Germany, returned to Chnia prior to 1914; took part in defence of Tsingtao; taken prisoner, interned in Japan, released in 1920 when he returned to Shanghai. Joined American-Oriental Banking Corporation in early twenties and was vice-President and General Manager of that concern when it closed down and applied for liquidation in May, 1935. In February 1936 was charged in 1st S.S.D.C. and sentenced to six months' imprisonment and a fine of $1000 for successive breach of confidence. Sentence, on appeal, was suspended for two years. Is married to an American lady and is now in the United States.

(5) J. C. DUPUY, Haitian, born in Gonaives, Haiti, on July 20, 1877. Is an American protected citizen. Is pro-German in his outlook on life.

(6) Miss Helene UNTERBERGER, German Aryan, resident of Shanghai for many years. Is employed with Bayer Pharmacy, 138 Kiangse Road. Resides at Flat 47, 1147 Bubbling Well Rd.

(7) Mrs. M. Vissering, German Aryan, long resident of Shanghai. Employed with Messrs. Reuter, Brockelmann & CO.

(8) C.G.C. ASKER, no details available.

(9) F. FRETZDORFF, no details available.

(10) Prof. Dr. Otto & Mrs. Anna Marie EIX — German Aryans of long residence in Shanghai. Connected with Siemens China Co., 233 Nanking Road. Reside at Flat 2, 88 Nanyang Road. Ardent Nazis.

(11) Johann GRODTMANN, German Aryan of long residence in China. Is an elderly person who moves very little in local German circles.

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(12) Dr. R. HOSELITZ, Czechoslovakian Jew, recent arrival in Shanghai. Resided in Peking for some fifteen years. Later was in Tientsin. Attorney-at-law by profession. Is reported to have had considerable dealings in North China with the Japanese authorities on account of his alleged communistic leanings. Reputable people in Shanghai who are acquainted with him do not describe him as a "Red". Is not mentioned in Police files as a communist sympathiser. Is anti-Nazi in his leanings.

(13) Mrs. E. M. Hoffman, German Aryan of long residence in Shanghai. Resides at Park Apartments, rue Lafayette. Is of independent means.

(14) J. MILCH, Hungarian Jew of good character. Has been in Shanghai for some years. Is general manager of the China Fibre Container Company, 273 Haichow Road. Resides with his wife at Apartment 81, 131 Route Say Zoong.

(15) E. SACHS, German Aryan, recent arrival in Shanghai. No details available.

(16) L. J. GOTTLIEB,
(17) Willy SCHMITTO, } No details available.

(18) Frederick Werner SIEMSSEN, German-Chinese Eurasian, born in Shanghai. Employed with Messrs. Siemssen & Krohn, 66 Museum Road. Resides at 99 Kinnear Road.

(19) Franz UNGER, German Aryan, employed with Hwa Tuh Trading Company, 133 Yuen Ming Yuen Road. Resided in Shanghai since 1924. Married to a Chinese lady. Speaks excellent Chinese and is anti-British in his outlook. Has in the past been suspected of being a communist sympathiser.

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(20) Mrs. Rebecca PFEIFFER, German Jewess, formerly (about seven or eight years ago), employed as a secretary in the National City Bank of New York. Now married to an American citizen domiciled in the United States.

(21) Miss Bertha ELLIG, Austrian Jewess, step-daughter of (22).

(22)Mrs. Dolores ELLIG, British by birth, married to an Austrian Jew, now deceased. Has, it is believed reacquired her British nationality. Is pro-British in her leanings and very anti-German. No (21) is the daughter of Mrs. Ellig's deceased husband.

CORRECTION:

(8) C.G.C. ASKER, Swedish, Commissioner of Customs, Swatow. Has been in the Chinese Maritime Customs Service for many years and is regarded as a very respectable individual.

(17) Willy SCHMITTO, Danish subject (Schleswig-Holstein), retired from the Chinese Maritime Customs some few years ago after 25 years service. Now residing in the French Concession. Lives a retired and secluded existence. Is well spoken of. Does not mix in any local community. Is reputed to be pro-British in his affiliations.

J. A. Pikes.

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D.C. (Special Branch).

BRITISH CONSULATE-GENERAL,

P.O. BOX 259. SHANGHAI.

30th August 1940.

SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE
SP. BR. REGISTRY
No. N. 325
Date 31/8/40

Dear Mr. Yorke,

Very many thanks for the particulars contained in the enclosure to your letter N.325 of 27th which have been most useful.

I appreciate the rather deplorable fact, to which you allude, that in your branch of activities the bad citizens are better known to you in a professional capacity than the good!!

Yours sincerely,

R. W. Yorke, Esquire,
Shanghai Municipal Police,
SHANGHAI.

CHINESE MUNICIPAL POLICE
SPECIAL REGISTRY
No. 325
Date 27/8/40

August 27, 40.

Dear Mr. Lamb,

In reply to your letter dated July 31, 1940, I forward herewith a copy of a Police report regarding those individuals named in the list and of whom the Police have some record.

I must apologize for the delay in forwarding this information but, as you observe, the majority of the individuals listed are of reputable character and it is much more difficult to obtain reliable information regarding law-abiding citizens than those whose activities frequently or generally come to the notice of the Police.

Yours sincerely,

R.A.C.

L. H. Lamb, Esq.,
Superintending Consul,
H.B.M. Consulate-General,
Shanghai.

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British Consulate-General,
SHANGHAI,
31st July 1940.

Dear Mr. Yorke,

I enclose a self-explanatory memo. requesting certain particulars of various named individuals, who I believe to be refugees from Europe. I am also enquiring about them through a discreet member of the International Committee.

Yours sincerely,

R. W. Yorke, Esquire,
Deputy Commissioner,
Shanghai Municipal Police, (Special Branch),
S H A N G H A I.

D. L. I. Pitts

We will discuss.

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Reference.....

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Information is required regarding the national status (according to passport, including whether under letter "J", character and political affiliations or activities) of the persons in the attached list, (from which it will be seen that some are actually resident in the French Concession).

Reference.....

NAME.	ADDRESS.
1) T. O. Schmid	c/o Anderson, Clayton & Co., 34, Avenue Edward VII.
2) A. Dierking	30/865 Yu Yuen Road.
3) Johann Willy Schultz	113 Kiukiang Road.
4) Julius Kleffel	American-Oriental Banking Corporation, Shanghai.
5) Jerome Charrairon Dupuy	A. Ehlers & Co., Shanghai.
6) Miss Helen Unterburger	57/1147 Bubbling Well Road.
7) Mrs. M. Vissering	c/o Reuter Brockelmann & Co.
8) Carl Gustav Carlson Asker	c/o Hongkong & Shanghai Bank.
9) Prof. Dr. Otto & Mrs. Anna Marie Eix	c/o "Telefunken", Shanghai.
10) F. Fretzdorff	c/o Dr. H. A. Lorentz 133, Yuen Ming Yuen Road.
11) Johann Grodtmann	c/o Mrs. J. Hildebrandt, "Defag."
12) Dr. R. Hoselitz	c/o The Chartered Bank.
13) Mrs. E. M. Hoffman	455 Rue Lafayette, Shanghai.
14) J. Milch	c/o Molnar & Greiner
15) E. Sachs	c/o Fuhrmeister & Co., Shanghai.
16) Louis Gottlieb Johann	Chinese Maritime Customs
17) Willy Schmitto	
18) Frederick Werner Siemssen	66, Museum Road.

Reference.....

NAME.	ADDRESS.
19 Franz Unger	133 Yuen Ming Yuen Road.
20 Mrs. Rebecca Pfeiffer	c/o National City Bank of New York
21 Miss Bertha Ellig	7, Columbia Road.
22 Mrs. Dolores Ellig	177, Tunsin Road.